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SUBJ: U.S. FOOD PROCESSING REGULATIONS

REF: A. STATE 42745 (3/4/74), B. STATE A-1814 (3/6/74)

1. WE HAVE ADVISED BOTH MR JEAN GOOSSENS, HEAD OF BELGIAN FOODSTUFFS INSPECTION SERVICE, MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND FAMILY, AND MR. JOZEF CAUVENBERGH, SECRETARY OF GROUPMENT OF BELGIAN VEGETABLE CANNERS OF CONTENT OF REFTEL. WE HAVE ALSO FORWARDED TO EACH A COPY OF THE FEDERAL REGISTER EXTRACT ENCLOSED WITH REF. B.

2. WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT ALL SEVEN BELGIAN FIRMS EXPORTING CANNED VEGETABLES TO U.S HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED AND RETURNED THE FOOD CANNING ESTABLISHMENT REGISTRATION FORM FD-2541 TO FDA/W.

3. HOWEVER, WE WERE TOLD THAT SOME OF THE BELGIAN CANNING FIRMS CONCERNED HAD NOT YET COMPLETED THE APPROPRIATE FORM RELATING TO PROCESS FILING. THIS DELAY IS REPORTEDLY DUE PARTLY TO THE LATE RECEIPT BY THE FIRMS OF THE BLANK FORMS AND RELEVANT INSTRUCTIONS AND PARTLY TO THE COMPLEXITY OF THE INFORMATION REQUESTED AND THE DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING AN ACCURATE TRANSLATION OF MANY TECHNICAL TERMS.

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4. FOR THESE REASONS, WE WERE ASKED TO REQUEST AN EXTENSION OF THE DEADLINE FROM APRIL 1, 1974 TO JUNE 1, 1974 WHICH WE WERE ASSURED WOULD PERMIT ALL BELGIAN CANNING FIRMS CONCERNED TO COMPLY WITH THE FDA PROCESS FILING REQUIREMENT.

5. WE RECOMMEND THAT FDA GRANT THIS EXTENSION AND ADVISE THE EMBASSY ASAP OF ITS DECISION.
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